

Keith Spaulding Pember (19.. – 1945)

Keith S. Pember listed his home state as California. He was a graduate of Sweetwater Union High School, and employed for four years at the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation plant, before entering the service in 1944.

During World War Two, Keith Pember was a Fireman First Class (F1C), and he was in the United States Naval Reserve (E3). His address was Box 296, Route 1, Chula Vista, CA. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Arlington Pember.

His Service number was 08811807. He was aboard the USS Callaghan (DD-792) when it was lost. During night operations and in gunfire support of the battle of Okinawa, the Callaghan was struck by a kamikaze aircraft and sunk. He was among 47 sailors lost aboard that ship in July 1945.

He is listed on the “Tablets of the Missing” at the Honolulu Memorial Cemetery at Honolulu, Hawaii. His date of death is listed as July 29, 1945. He is listed as Missing in Action (MIA) or Buried at Sea.

He was awarded the Purple Heart.

